

Governor's Workforce Cabinet

Thursday, August 20, 2020

Virtual Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

Present (via Webinar): State Representative Bob Behning, Jenà Bellezza, Amy Brown, Rob Carter, Maurice Coates Jr., Jason Ells, Dr. Sue Ellspermann, Megan Glover, Dr. Chuck Johnson, Mark Kara, Teresa Lubbers, Dr. Jennifer McCormick, Blair Milo, Fred Payne, Paul Perkins, State Senator Jeff Raatz, Rebecca Schroeder, Dr. Jennifer Sullivan, Alan Taylor, Tony Vespa, and Bruce Watson.

Welcome and Call to Order - Chair Teresa Lubbers

- a. Meeting called to order at 10:00am ET.

II. Roll Call of Cabinet Members

- a. P.J. McGrew called the roll for Workforce Cabinet members; a quorum was present.

III. Approval of Minutes and Bylaws

- a. Paul Perkins motioned to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Tony Vespa seconded the motion.

IV. Reports

- a. Chair's Report (Teresa Lubbers)
 - i. Commissioner Lubbers discussed the importance of Governor Holcomb's recent charge to the GWC in his equity and inclusion speech. She, Commissioner Payne, and PJ will be working with Cabinet members and others to develop recommendations in the coming months.
- b. Executive Director's Report (P.J. McGrew)

V. New Business

- a. Rapid Recovery Plan Overview
 - i. P.J. provided an update on the Rapid Recovery plan announced by Governor Holcomb and Commissioner Lubbers on June 5. The update included statistics regarding results that have been incurred so far with the Workforce Ready Grant and Employer Training Grant. Information was also shared regarding the Your Next Step website and other mechanisms being deployed to help Hoosiers get connected to resources.
- b. Policy Committee Update
 - i. Cabinet Members were informed of the GWC Policy Subcommittee's decision to allow Local Workforce Boards until January 29th to submit their local plans. Information was also shared regarding the Policy Subcommittee's recent vote to form a Work-based Learning (WBL) stakeholder group. The group will be tasked with providing recommendations on the integration of WBL strategies within the report

the GWC is charged with submitting to the Indiana General Assembly in accordance with HEA 1153.

c. CTE Update

- i. PJ provided an update on the latest information with Next Level Programs of Study. A timeline of upcoming activities was shared and further updates will be shared at future meetings. Information was also provided regarding recent fall re-entry guidance from the Office of CTE. The Office of CTE is encouraging districts to offer an in-person option for CTE courses where possible and has shared guidance on ways schools and career centers can work to ensure student safety when offering in-person instruction. Recent guidance regarding CTE funding was shared, which includes additional flexibility for schools utilizing a virtual or hybrid model for CTE instruction during this school year.

d. Communications Update

- i. Sam Rourke from the GWC provided an update on the Your Next Step website. He shared that the site will be launching in late October and provided a few highlights of what will be new with the updated site. Information was also shared regarding marketing efforts that are upcoming as part of the Rapid Recovery initiative.

VI. Old Business

- a. There was no old business to discuss.

VII. Adjournment

- a. Chair Teresa Lubbers called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Fred Payne made a motion, the motion was seconded by Jená Bellezza. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 ET.